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In re application of:)	Examiner: Unknown
John R. Graber Jr.)	
)	Art Unit: 3748
Serial No.: 10/021,974)	
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Filed: October 30, 2001)	
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For: MULTI-STAGE HELICAL)	
SCREW ROTOR)	
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Attorney Docket No.:)	Cleveland, OH 44114
LYB 2 0021-3)	January 18, 2002

REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

PETITION TO ACCORD THE FILING DATE SHOWN ON THE
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The Applicant filed the above-referenced patent application using the standard express mail filing procedure on October 30, 2001. The transmittal letter, the initial information data sheet, and the first page of the patent application (Exhibit 1) were all clearly marked with the express mail label number and the October 30, 2001 deposit date. All of the certificates were appropriately signed.

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The fact that this patent application was mailed on October 30, 2001 is independently verifiable from the records of the U.S. Postal Service which are accessible on the Internet (Exhibit 3). The records of the U.S. Postal

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Although the express mailing labels and the certificate of mailings all clearly identified the mailing date of this patent application as October 30, 2001, the Patent Office Filing Receipt (Exhibit 4) which was mailed January 11, 2002 and received January 15, 2002 listed the filing date as 11/30/01. It is submitted that the filing date on the Patent Office Filing Receipt is a typographical error resulting from a member of the Patent Office staff accidentally double striking the one (1) when entering the month portion of the date. It will be noted that the day and year portion of the date are accurate.

Because the error in the filing date is a result of the Patent Office mistake, it is submitted that no fee is due.

In the alternative, the Applicant's petition to have the above-identified patent application accorded the "Date-In" of October 30, 2001 shown on express mail label EL852764951US. It is contended that the date of 11/30/01 accorded as the filing date of this application by the PTO is not correct.

This discrepancy was discovered upon reviewing the Filing Receipt which was received on January 15, 2002. This Petition is being filed promptly, within three days, of the erroneous Filing Receipt.

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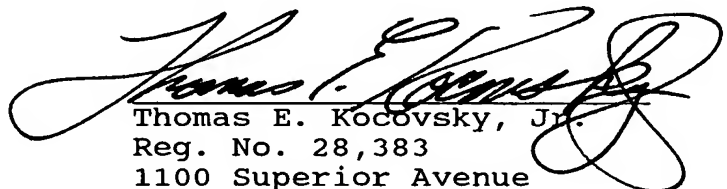
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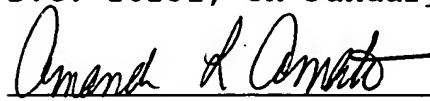
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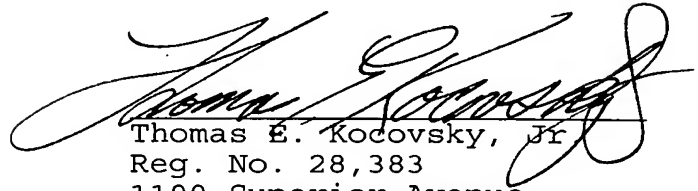
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Respectfully submitted,

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MULTI-STAGE HELICAL SCREW ROTOR

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/691,009, filed October 18, 2001, now abandoned.

Background of the Invention

5 The present invention relates to the vacuum pump arts. It finds particular application in a helical screw rotor vacuum pump.

10 Screw vacuum pumps include two pairs of helical rotors attached to shafts which are driven at high speed by an electric motor positioned below the shafts. The rotors have a plurality of teeth on their edge or arrayed on one or both of their faces and, in use, the teeth rotate within a pumping chamber and urge molecules of gas being pumped through the pumping chamber.

15 A gearbox is usually positioned at the driven end of each shaft. The gearbox contains the shaft ends, bearings within which the shaft rotates, any timing gears and the motor positioned about the driven shaft.

20 Oils and/or greases associated with lubrication of the gearbox need to be contained and isolated within the gearbox. This is to ensure cleanliness and prevent non-contamination of the gases being pumped in the pumping chamber and to avoid the possibility of transfer of such contamination back into the enclosure being evacuated.

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Transmitted herewith for filing in the patent application of:

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For: MULTI-STAGE HELICAL SCREW ROTOR

Enclosed are:

- [XX] 22 pages of specification: 13 pages description; 8 pages claims; 1 page abstract.
- [XX] 12 sheets of drawing(s) including FIGURES 1-3.
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- [XX] An Assignment of the invention to LEYBOLD SEMICONDUCTOR VACUUM SOLUTIONS.
- [] A Request & Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b) (2) (B) (i).
- [XX] Utility Patent Application Initial Information Data Sheet.
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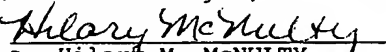
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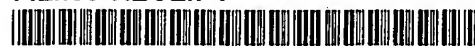
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Title

Multi-stage helical screw rotor

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